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REMOVAL OF EXCESS FLUID

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the election of species set forth in the Office Action mailed February 24, 2006, for which a response is due May 24, 2006. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

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